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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION CINCLANT INFO CINCLANTFLT COMNAVAIRLAND
NAVSTA REYKJAVIK FROM COMICEDEFOR MAR 13 REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: LEFTIST BLOCKAGE OF BASE GATES

QUOTE

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1. (C) SIGNIFICANT POLITICAL, MILITARY, OR PUBLIC INTEREST EVENTS:

A. THE PEOPLES ALLIANCE DAILY NEWSPAPER THJODVILJINN OF 12 MAR 76

INCLUDED AN ARTICLE WHICH STATED IN PART AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE: TOMORROW,
SATURDAY, MILITARY STATION OPPONENTS WILL CARRY OUT A PROTEST STAND AT

THE GATE TO KEFLAVIK AIRPORT. THE STAND BEGINS EARLY AND WILL BE
MAINTAINED UNTIL 1600 HOURS. END QUOTE. INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM THE
CHIEF OF POLICE FOR KEFLAVIK AIRPORT (JUDGE THORGEIR THORSTENSSON) AT
APPROXIMATELY 121630Z INDICATED THAT THE MILITARY STATIONS OPPONENTS
(A LEFTIST GROUP) INTENDED TO BLOCKADE THE KEFLAVIK MAIN STATION GATES.

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B. AT APPROXIMATELY 130630Z 20-30 VEHICLES AND PASSENGERS ARRIVED AT

THE MAIN GATE AND PHYSICALLY BLOCKED ALL VEHICLE ACCESS BY PARKING AUTOMOBILES ACROSS THE ROADWAY. PEDESTRIANS WERE ALLOWED TO ENTER AND LEAVE UNRESTRICTED. SHORTLY THEREAFTER THE REMAINING GATES TO THE MAIN

STATION WERE BLOCKED IN A SIMILAR MANNER. OUTLYING SITES WERE NOT INVOLVED IN ANYWAY. GATES REMAINED CLOSED TO VEHICLE TRAFFIC ALL DAY. ICELANDIC POLICE TOOK NO ACTION TO RESTORE NORMAL TRAFFIC AND ADVISED,

AS IN PREVIOUS INCIDENTS, THAT THEY COULD TAKE NO ACTION UNLESS LIFE OR PROPERTY WAS THREATENED. AT APPROXIMATELY 1550Z THE DEMONSTRATORS DISPERSED AND NORMAL TRAFFIC WAS RESUMED.

C. THERE WERE NO INCIDENTS AND IMPACT ON OPERATIONS WAS NIL.

D. THIS IS THE FIRST AND FINAL REPORT THIS EVENT.

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